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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

1. Claims 5, 6 and 9 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Brandt et al. (U.S. 6,317,178).

As to claims 5 and 9, Brandt discloses a double super twisted nematic (DSTN) liquid crystal display device, comprising one active cell and one passive cell. Note in figure 2, the active cell 12 and passive cell 13. Because the arrows indicate the path of light towards the viewer, the passive cell 13 is arranged at the front of the display, closer to the viewer. Note electrodes 4 and 5 in the active cell 12. Note the heating layers 9 and 19, which are made of indium tin oxide (ITO). See column 4, line 49 – column 5, line 46. Heating layer 19 is disposed inside passive cell 13.

As to claim 6, Brandt discloses a heating layer 19 inside passive cell 13, which is made of ITO. See column 4, lines 56-64.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

- (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 2. Claims 7 and 8 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brandt et al. (U.S. 6,317,178).

Brandt does not disclose a flexible substrate or a metallic housing surrounding a rear and sides of the display. However, these elements were common and conventional. Flexible substrates were widely used in order to dispose the electronic circuit elements in such a way as to create a more compact display. Metal housing was widely used in order to protect the display from being damaged. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to provide a flexible substrates and a metallic housing for the aforementioned reasons.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Chung whose telephone number is (703) 306-0155. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

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